PubMed









http://pubmed.gov

PubMed® Overview

- PubMed is a database developed by the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) at the National Library of Medicine (NLM) available on the Web. It is one of several databases under NCBI's Entrez retrieval system.
- PubMed provides access, free of charge, to MEDLINE®, a database of 12+ million bibliographic citations. In addition to MEDLINE citations, PubMed includes:
 - ➤ Citations of recently published articles not yet fully indexed for MEDLINE.
 - > Some older citations that precede the date in which the journal was selected for indexing in MEDLINE.
 - Links to the full text of articles at participating publishers' Web sites, biological data, sequence centers, etc. from third parties, and from PubMed Central.
 - Links to the integrated molecular biology databases maintained by NCBI. These databases contain DNA and protein sequences, genome mapping data, and 3-D protein structures, aligned sequences from populations, and the Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man (OMIM).
 - ➤ OLDMEDLINE, approximately 2 million citations from biomedical journals covering the fields of medicine, preclinical sciences and allied health sciences from 1951 through 1965.

Publisher Supplied Citations

- These are citations that are supplied electronically by publishers directly to PubMed. (Not all citations are supplied electronically).
 - ➤ They may be from journals not indexed for MEDLINE, or articles from issues of MEDLINE journals prior to their selection for indexing. They have not, and may never go through a quality review by NLM.
- Citations received electronically have the status tag: [PubMed as supplied by publisher].

Sample of a publisher-supplied citation -- submitted electronically:

Notice the [PubMed – as supplied by publisher] status tag.

LiCalsi C, Maniaci MJ, Christensen T, Phillips E, Ward GH, Witham C.

A powder formulation of measles vaccine for aerosol delivery. Vaccine. 2001 Mar 21;19(17-19):2629-2636. PMID: 11257402 [PubMed - as supplied by publisher]

Articles from issues of MEDLINE journals prior to selection for indexing

➤ If publishers choose to supply NLM with electronic data from issues of journals prior to when the journal was selected for indexing, those citations will be entered into PubMed and carry the status tag [PubMed – as supplied by publisher].

Example: NLM began indexing the journal, *Molecular Diagnosis* with v. 4, no. 1, 1999. However, the publisher supplied NLM with citations from earlier issues. These citations were added to PubMed but will not be indexed with MeSH headings.

This citation from volume 2, 1997 has the [PubMed – as supplied by publisher] status tag.

Dhir R. Gau JT, Krill D. Bastacky S. Bahnson RR, Cooper DL, Becich MJ.

CD44 Expression in Benign and Neoplastic Human Prostates. Mol Diagn. 1997 Sep;2(3):197-204.

PMID: 10462610 [PubMed - as supplied by publisher]

In Process Citations

- These are electronically supplied citations that will be reviewed for accurate bibliographic data and indexed with NLM's MeSH® headings (controlled vocabulary terms).
- In process records carry the status tag: [PubMed in process].

Sample of an In Process citation in PubMed:

Notice the [PubMed-in process] status tag.

LiCalsi C, Maniaci MJ, Christensen T, Phillips E, Ward GH, Witham C.

A powder formulation of measles vaccine for aerosol delivery. Vaccine, 2001 Mar 21;19(17-19):2629-36. PMID: 11257402 [PubMed - in process]

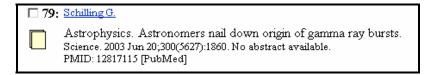
Other PubMed Citations

• Some of the citations received electronically from publishers never become MEDLINE citations. These records do not go through the indexing process – they are not assigned MeSH terms. This occurs when a particular article in a selectively indexed journal is out-of-scope for MEDLINE (such as a geology article in a general scientific journal like *Science* or *Nature*), and the publisher provides PubMed with electronic data for the entire journal.

These records carry the status tag [**PubMed**] and remain in PubMed even though they are not MEDLINE citations.

Sample of a citation for an article that is out of scope for MEDLINE:

Notice the [PubMed] status tag.





[**PubMed**] citations have been quality reviewed by NLM.

• Approximately 2 million OLDMEDLINE citations are part of PubMed. OLDMEDLINE citations do not have abstracts. They also contain non-MeSH subject terms.

Sample of an OLDMEDLINE citation in PubMed:



MEDLINE Citations

What is MEDLINE?

- This is NLM's premier bibliographic database covering the fields of medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, the health care system, the preclinical sciences, and other areas of the life sciences.
- MEDLINE records contain bibliographic citations and in most cases author abstracts from more than **4,600 biomedical journals** published in the United States and 70 other countries.
 - ➤ MEDLINE records contain MeSH (Medical Subject Headings) terms, publication types, and other information added by NLM Indexers.
 - Most records are from English-language sources or have English abstracts, although more than 40 languages are represented in MEDLINE.
 - ➤ Approximately 76% of MEDLINE records include abstracts as they appear in the journal.
- MEDLINE has **over 12+ million records** dating from the early-fifties to the present and adds about 500,000 indexed citations per year.

MEDLINE in PubMed

- MEDLINE records are added to PubMed Tuesday-Saturday.
- After MeSH terms (NLM's controlled vocabulary terms) and other indexing terms are added, the in process citations graduate to MEDLINE records. These "completed" records have also been checked for bibliographic accuracy.
- Fully indexed MEDLINE records carry the status tag [PubMed indexed for MEDLINE].

Sample MEDLINE citation in PubMed:

Notice the [PubMed – indexed for MEDLINE] status tag.

LiCalsi C, Maniaci MJ, Christensen T, Phillips E, Ward GH, Witham C.

A powder formulation of measles vaccine for aerosol delivery. Vaccine. 2001 Mar 21;19(17-19):2629-36.

PMID: 11257402 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]

PubMed's Home Page

The Sidebar

Text Version - specifically for users who require special adaptive equipment to access the Web and use PubMed.

Entrez PubMed

- Overview provides a detailed description of the PubMed database including database coverage and PubMed journal information.
- Click Help for explanations of all the features and search and retrieval options within PubMed.
- FAQs are answers to frequently asked questions about PubMed.
- The Tutorial is a Web-based, interactive training program for PubMed.
- New/Noteworthy provides information about PubMed system enhancements.
- E-Utilities provides tools to search and retrieve outside of the regular web query interface.

PubMed Services

- Use the Journals Database to search for journals; a list of journals with links to full-text is also included in the browser.
- The MeSH Database allows you to find MeSH terms and build a search strategy.
- The Single Citation Matcher allows you to locate a specific article and the Batch Citation Matcher is a tool for publishers.
- The Clinical Queries page was designed for clinicians and has built-in search "filters" including systematic reviews.
- LinkOut provides users with links from PubMed and other Entrez databases to a
 wide variety of relevant web-accessible online resources including full-text
 publications.
- The Cubby stores search strategies for updating searches, and LinkOut preferences to specify which LinkOut providers you want displayed in PubMed.

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- Order Documents is a link to the Loansome Doc feature to order full-text copies of articles from a local medical library (local fees and delivery methods may vary).
- The NLM Gateway, another NLM Web-based service, provides access to MEDLINE and additional NLM databases.
- TOXNET has databases on toxicology, hazardous chemicals, and related areas.
- Consumer Health is a link to Medline Plus, NLM's Web site for consumer health information.
- Clinical Alerts expedite the release of findings from the NIH-funded clinical trials that could significantly affect morbidity and mortality.
- Click on ClinicalTrials.gov to access the NIH/NLM Web site to locate clinical research studies open to participation.
- PubMed Central is an archive of life science journals. Access is free and unrestricted.

Privacy Policy

Related Resources

The National Center for Biotechnology Information's Privacy Policy for PubMed users.

Entrez PubMed

Overview Help | FAQ Tutorial New/Noteworthy E-Utilities

PubMed Services

Journals Database
MeSH Database
Single Citation
Matcher
Batch Citation Matcher
Clinical Queries
LinkOut
Cubby

Related Resources

Order Documents
NLM Gateway
TOXNET
Consumer Health
Clinical Alerts
ClinicalTrials.gov
PubMed Central

Privacy Policy

Searching With PubMed

- PubMed provides many methods of searching to meet users' individual needs. You can run a simple search by entering a few search terms in the query box or construct complex search strategies using Boolean operators and using the various functions provided by the Features bar.
- PubMed's Features bar provides these tools:
 - **➤** Limits
 - > Preview/Index
 - > History
 - Clipboard
 - Details
- In addition, these services are also available:
 - > The MeSH Database
 - Clinical Queries
 - ➤ My NCBI
 - ➤ The Single Citation Matcher
 - ➤ The Journals Database



PubMed makes use of **cookies** and **JavaScript** from your Web browser for several functions. For more information about cookies, see PubMed's Help.

Entering Search Terms

- Enter significant terms in the query box (e.g., *angina pain*) and click on the **Go** button.
 - You can use the **Clear** button to erase the contents of the query box.

Sample Search: Find citations to articles about **angina** and **pain**.



How Does PubMed Work?

• PubMed uses **Automatic Term Mapping** to retrieve search results based on the keywords (terms) entered in the query box.

Automatic Term Mapping Process

- Unqualified terms that are entered in the query box are matched against (in this order):
 - ➤ MeSH (Medical Subject Headings) Translation Table
 - ➤ Journals Translation Table
 - Author Index

1. MeSH Translation Table contains:

- ➤ MeSH Headings and their Entry Term mappings (also known as synonyms) for MeSH terms
- Subheadings
- Mappings derived from the Unified Medical Language System (UMLS)
- > Supplementary Concepts and synonyms to the Supplementary Concepts
- ➤ Publication Types and their Entry Terms

1. MeSH Translation Table cont'd:

➤ If a match is found in this translation table, the term will be mapped to the appropriate MeSH term and searched as MeSH and as a Text Word. Angina is an entry term for the MeSH term Angina Pectoris.

Example:



PubMed Translation: ("angina pectoris" [MeSH Terms] OR angina [Text Word])



When a term is searched as a MeSH Heading, PubMed automatically searches that heading and the more specific headings underneath in the hierarchy. This is called exploding a term.

For example, when searched as a MeSH Term, PubMed will search the heading Angina Pectoris as well as the more specific term(s) in the hierarchy:

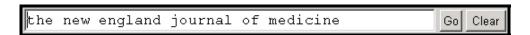
Angina Pectoris

Angina Pectoris, Variant Angina, Unstable Syndrome X

2. Journals Translation Table contains:

- > Full journal title
- ➤ MEDLINE abbreviation
- ➤ International Standard Serial Number (ISSN)

Example:



PubMed Translation: ("N Engl J Med" [Journal Name])



If the journal's name happens to be a MeSH term, PubMed will search the term as a MeSH heading and as a Text Word, and the search will *not* include the term as a journal name. Use the Journals Database (see page 69), the All-Field pull-down menu in Limits, or the journal field tag (see appropriate sections of this workbook) to search for a specific journal.

3. Author Index

- ➤ If the phrase is not found in the MeSH or Journals Translation Tables and is a word with one or two letters after it, PubMed then checks the Author Index.
- Enter the author's name in the form of Last Name (space) Initials:

Examples: o'brien jm

adams sh pogonka t

➤ If only the first initial is used, PubMed automatically truncates the author's name to account for varying initials.

Example:



This search retrieves citations to articles written by o'brien j, o'brien ja, o'brien jz, etc.



If only an author's last name is entered, PubMed will search that name in All Fields (Author field plus all other searchable fields). It will not default to the Author Index because the last name is not followed by initial(s). Special attention is needed when the last name is the same as a MeSH term (see the Search Field Descriptions section of this workbook).

4. If no match is found?

- > PubMed breaks apart your terms and repeats the above process until a match is found.
- > Terms that don't make a match will be searched in "All Fields." Individual terms will be combined (ANDed) together.

Example:



PubMed Translation:

((pressure [MeSH Terms] OR pressure [Text Word]) AND point [All Fields])

A look at the Automatic Term Mapping process:

➤ PubMed breaks apart a long phrase from right to left:

Example:



Searches for:	Results:	Action:
head lice shampoo	No match found	Removes term on right to re-run Automatic Term Mapping process.
head lice	Match found in MeSH Translation Table	head lice will be searched as pediculus [MeSH Terms] OR head lice [Text Word]
shampoo	No match found in Translation tables	shampoo will be searched as shampoo [All Fields]

- PubMed then combines (ANDs) the terms to produce a single search strategy:
 - ➤ pediculus[MeSH Terms] OR head lice[Text Word] AND shampoo[All Fields]

Phrase Searching

- Enclose a phrase in quotes to bypass Automatic Term Mapping and to check PubMed's Index of searchable terms for that phrase.
- A term that is hyphenated is also searched as a phrase, e.g., *pressure-point*
 - ➤ The Index contains several million phrases generated from words in the title, abstract, and the UMLS.
 - Example:



PubMed Translation: "pressure point"[All Fields]

• If your quoted phrase does not appear in the Index, PubMed will fail to find the phrase even though it may actually appear in citation and abstract data. If this is the case, the double quotes are ignored and the phrase is processed using Automatic Term Mapping.



When you enclose a phrase in double quotes, PubMed will *not* perform Automatic Term Mapping which includes explosions of MeSH terms.

For example, "health planning" *will* include citations that have the MeSH heading, Health Planning, but *will not* include the more specific indentations (e.g., Health Care Rationing, Health Care Reform) that are included with automatic MeSH mapping and explosion.

It is important that searches be entered initially without quotes around terms to benefit from Automatic Term Mapping. Use the Details feature to see how the terms were mapped. If the mapping is not appropriate, or the retrieval was not as specific as desired, quoting terms can then be considered.

Truncation (finding all terms that begin with a given text string)

- Place an asterisk (*) at the end of a string of characters to search for all terms that begin with that string. The asterisk may only be used at the **end** of a string of characters.
 - **Example:** *mimick** will find all terms that begin with the letters m-i-m-i-c-k; e.g. mimick, mimicked, mimicks, mimicking.
- PubMed searches the first 600 variations of a truncated term. If a truncated term, e.g. myo*, produces more than 600 variations, PubMed displays a message on the Results screen in pink near the top of the screen:

Wildcard search for 'myo*' used only the first 600 variations. Lengthen the root word to search for all endings.



Truncation turns off Automatic Term Mapping. For example, *heart attack** will not map to the MeSH term, Myocardial Infarction or include any of its more specific terms, e.g., Myocardial Stunning.

PubMed Stopword List

PubMed also compares each search with to a list of commonly found terms that are referred to as "stopwords." Stopwords may be ignored. This list is available in PubMed's Help.

Limit to Free Full Text



To search only for citations that link to free full text, add **free full text [sb]** to your query box along with your search terms.



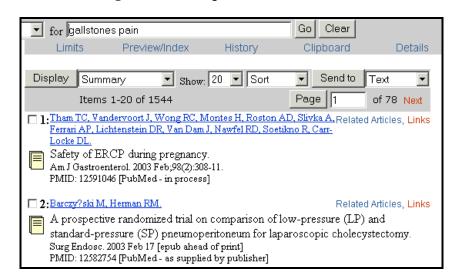
Search Results Screen

- Once you click on **Go** (or press the Enter key), PubMed will automatically:
 - > Run the search
 - > Retrieve and display citations
- The following is the Results screen returned by PubMed for the search example:
 - Find citations to articles about gallstones and pain.

Active **query box** displaying current search.

The Action Bar selections are:
Display options
Show pull-down
Sort options
Send to options
Page button

Citations are displayed in the Summary format



- The query box displays your search.
 - This box is active; you can modify the current search by adding or eliminating terms and clicking on the **Go** button.
 - Click on the Clear button to clear the search in the query box and start a new search.
- The **Action Bar** selections are available both at the top and bottom of the Results screens.
- An Icon next to a citation indicates if there is an abstract or full-text available for that article.
 - This article has no abstract
 - Click on the icon to read the abstract
 - Click on the green icon link to access free full-text
 - Click on the green and orange icon link to access the full-text in PubMed Central (see Free in PMC p.55)

Display Options

• PubMed citations are initially displayed in the **Summary** format.

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Related Articles

Serum ascorbic acid and gallbladder disease prevalence among US adults: the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES III).

Arch Intern Med. 2000 Apr 10;160(7):931-6.

PMID: 10761957 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]

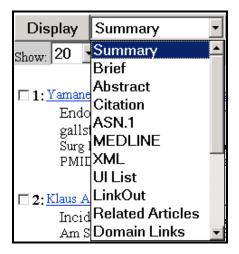
- The Summary format consists of the following:
 - ➤ **Author Name(s):** All authors from the record are displayed.
 - ➤ Links: Available links such as Related Articles, Protein, Nucleotide, etc. (LinkOut, Books not displayed in the Summary format.)
 - > Title of the article: Most foreign language titles will be translated into English and placed within brackets.
 - Source: Includes journal title abbreviation, date of publication, volume, issue, and pagination.
 - ➤ Will also include language (for non-English articles) and Publication Type if the article is a review or retracted publication.
 - Articles without abstracts will display the notation: "No abstract available."
 - ➤ PubMed Unique Identifier (**PMID**).
 - A status tag: [PubMed as supplied by publisher], or [PubMed in process], or [PubMed indexed for MEDLINE]

Additional Display Options

- You can access other display formats from the Results screen in the following manner:
 - ➤ **Individual Citations:** Clicking on the author name link will display the citation in the Abstract display format.
 - ➤ All Citations: Select the format and click on the Display button (see Other Display Formats on the next page).
 - > Selected Citations: Clicking on the box found to the left of the item number allows you to select one or multiple items. Clicking on the **Display** button will display the selected item(s) in the desired display format.

Other Display Formats

• The pull-down menu next to the **Display** button allows you to select available display formats:





Summary, Abstract, Citation, MEDLINE, Related Articles, and LinkOut are the most appropriate display selections for bibliographic information.

• **Citation Format** provides the following information:

•	Source (journal title abbreviation, date of publication, volume, issue and pagination)	•	MeSH Terms
•	Title	•	Personal Name as Subject (if present)
•	On non-English language articles, [Article in language] tag	•	Chemical substances (if present)
•	Author(s)	•	Grant numbers (if present)
•	Affiliation (address) of first author	•	PMID
•	Publication Types (except for "Journal Article")	•	Status tag
•	Annotations to associated citations (e.g., errata)	•	Links

• MEDLINE Format

- > Two to four-character tagged field format displaying all fields of the PubMed record.
- ➤ Use this format for downloading records into bibliographic management software programs.

- **Abstract Format** provides the following information:
 - Source (journal title abbreviation, date of publication, volume, issue and pagination)
 - Title
 - On non-English language articles, [Article in language] tag
 - Author(s)
 - Affiliation (address) of first author
 - Abstract (if present) from published article
- Publication Types (except for "Journal Article")
- Annotations to associated citations (e.g., errata)
- PMID
- Status tag
- Links

Arch Intern Med 2000 Apr 10;160(7):931-6

Related Articles, Books, LinkOut

Serum ascorbic acid and gallbladder disease prevalence among US adults: the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES III).

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BACKGROUND: Ascorbic acid-deficient guinea pigs frequently develop gallstones, and ascorbic acid status may also affect the risk of gallbladder disease in humans. To examine the relationship of ascorbic acid, an antioxidant nutrient involved in cholesterol catabolism, to gallbladder disease, we analyzed data collected from a probability sample of US adults. METHODS: Analyses of data from 7042 women and 6088 men enrolled in the Third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, 1988-1994, were performed. Multiple logistic regression models stratified by sex were examined, controlling for the effects of age, race, diet, body mass index, and other potential confounders. RESULTS: A total of 761 women (11%) and 235 men (4%) reported a history of clinical gallbladder disease (symptomatic gallstones or cholecystectomy). Of the 9650 participants without a history of clinical gallbladder disease or abdominal pain consistent with gallbladder disease, and with valid abdominal ultrasonography, 408 (8%) of 4863 women and 274 (6%) of 4787 men had asymptomatic gallstones. Serum ascorbic acid level was inversely related to prevalence of clinical and asymptomatic gallbladder disease among women, but not among men. Among women, each SD (27 micromol/L) increase in serum ascorbic acid level was independently associated with a 13% lower prevalence of clinical gallbladder disease (P = .006) and asymptomatic gallstones (P = .048). CONCLUSION: Ascorbic acid, which affects the catabolism of cholesterol to bile acids and, in turn, the development of gallbladder disease in experimental animals, may affect the risk of gallbladder disease among women.

PMID: 10761957 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]

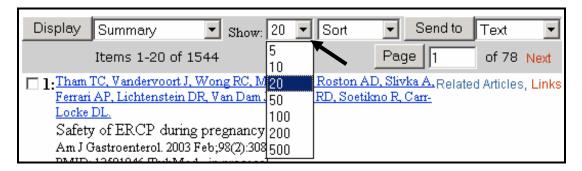
Retrieval Summary Line



• The retrieval summary line displays the total number of citations retrieved by the search, and how many pages of citations there are given the selected number of citations per page (see Show).

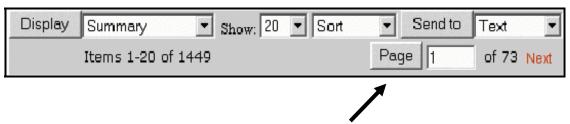
Show pull-down Menu

• PubMed initially displays search results in batches of 20 citations per page.



- Click on the **Show** pull-down menu to select a higher/lower number and then click **Display**.
- PubMed redisplays the citations based on your selection.
- You can change the display format and the Show number at the same time.

Page Button

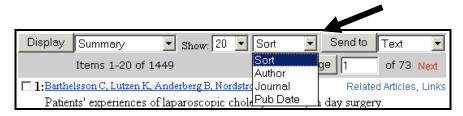


The Results screen has links to the other pages containing the rest of the search results. Click on **Next** to advance to the next page of results.

- > The page number for the page currently displayed is in the box next to Page.
- > Type in a page number and click on **Page** to see the results on that page.

Sort pull-down Menu

• To sort items by author, journal, or publication date, click on the **Sort** pull-down menu select a sort field and then click **Display**.





You can sort directly from the results screen, or you can collect citations on the Clipboard and sort the items there.

Send to Button and Text pull-down Menu

- Use the **Text** pull-down menu to print (**Text**), save (**File**), place items on the **Clipboard**, **E-mail** a citation or to **Order** the full-text copy of articles.
 - ➤ Once you select your option from the **Text** pull-down menu, click on the **Send to** button. Show: 20 🔻 Sort Send to Display Summary Text Text Items 1-20 of 1557 of 78 Next File Clipboard 🔲 1: Shirahane K, Yamaguchi K, Ogawa T, Shimizu S, Yokohata K, Mizumoto K d Articles, Links E-mail Order
- To select your <u>entire set of search results</u>, choose an option from the **Text** pull-down menu and click on the **Send to** button.
- For <u>selected citations</u>, click on the check boxes as you go through each page of your retrieval, choose an option from the **Text** pull-down menu and click on the **Send to** button.

Text (Print)

- **Text** will redisplay citations on a single page, omitting the Web or HTML components you won't print PubMed's sidebar and buttons and you will save paper.
- To Print:
 - 1. Select **Text** from the pull-down menu and click on the **Send to** button.
 - 2. Use the Print function of your Browser, which will print all of the citations displayed on your Web page.
 - 3. Use the Back function of your Browser to return to the results page.

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1: Barthelsson C, Lutzen K, Anderberg B, Nordstrom G.
Patients' experiences of laparoscopic cholecystectomy in day surgery.
J Clin Nurs. 2003 Mar; 12(2):253-9.
PMID: 12603558 [PubMed - in process]
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File (Save)

- You can create a text file of your citations and save it to your computer or disc.
- To Save:
 - 1. Select **File** from the pull-down menu and click on the **Send to** button.
 - 2. Your computer will prompt you to name the file and select a directory.

Note: The maximum number of items that can be saved is 10,000.

• You can also save citations collected from multiple searches by using the clipboard.



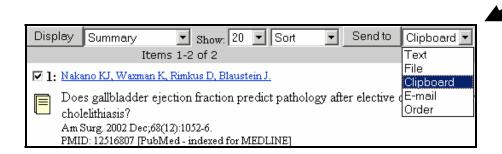
Before printing or saving to file, consider:

- 1. Changing the display format (Summary pull-down menu)
- 2. Using the **Show** pull-down menu to change the number of items displayed on the web page
- 3. Using the **Sort** pull-down menu to change the order in which the citations are displayed.

Clipboard

• The **Clipboard** allows you to store selected citations from your searches that you may want to print, save, e-mail or order (see *Using the Clipboard* in the Features Section of this Workbook).

- To place an item in the **Clipboard**, click on the check box next to the citation. Choose **Clipboard** from the **Text** pull-down menu and then click on **Send to**.
 - ➤ The maximum number of items that can be placed in the Clipboard is **500**.



- Note: If you click on Send to Clipboard without using the check boxes, PubMed will store all of the citations from your current search results (maximum 500).
- ➤ Once you have added a citation to the Clipboard, the item number color will change and PubMed will display the message below.

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23 items were added to Clipboard.
Clipboard items will be lost after eight hours of inactivity.
The maximum number of Clipboard items is 500.
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E-Mail

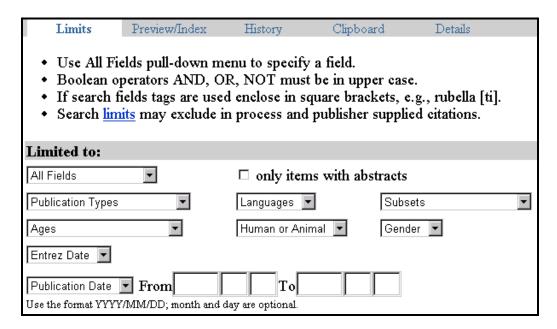
- **E-mail** up to 500 items
 - ➤ Options include Format, Sort, HTML or Text. The HTML option displays hyperlinks to Related Articles, LinkOut, and other PubMed features. The recipient's e-mail service must be set for HTML view to allow for proper display of this format.
 - You may also include a short personal message to send with your e-mailed PubMed results.
 - The "sender" of these messages is "Sent by Entrez."



• The Features Bar offers several additional functions.

Limits

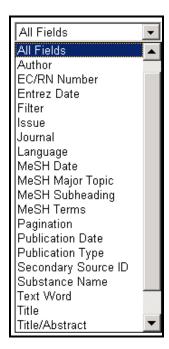
• Click on **Limits** on the Features Bar to bring up the Limits page.



Field Selection

- You may limit your search terms to a specific search field.
- To select a specific field, click the **All Fields** pull-down menu and select a search field. Enter multiple terms separated by Boolean operators.

Example: Select **MeSH Terms** from the pull-down, enter *bed rest AND pain* in the query box, click **Go**.



Only items with abstracts

only items with abstracts

• Click in this box to limit your retrieval to only citations with an abstract.

Publication Types

- You may limit your retrieval based on the type of material the citation represents.
- The Publications Types pull-down menu contains a list
 of frequently searched publication types. The full list of
 Publication Types can be found in Help. Or use the
 Preview/Index feature to view and search Publication
 Types.



Languages

- Journals from approximately forty languages are indexed.
- The **Languages** pull-down menu contains a list of frequently searched languages. The full list of Languages can be viewed and searched using the Preview/Index feature.



Ages

• To search for a specific age group for human studies, click on the **Ages** pull-down menu and make a selection.



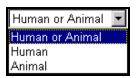
Gender

To search for a specific gender, click on the **Gender** pull-down menu and make a selection.



Human or Animal

 To search for a specific study group, click on the Human or Animal pull-down menu and make a selection.



Dates

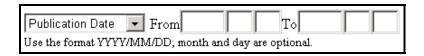
- PubMed contains citations published back to the early-fifties.
- New citations are added Tuesday-Saturday.
- You may restrict to two date fields from the Limits screen:
- Entrez Date: the date the citation was initially added to PubMed
- **Publication Date**: the date the article was published
- When PubMed displays your search results, the citations are displayed in Entrez Date order last in, first out.

Limiting by Dates

• Use the **Entrez Date** pull-down menu to limit your search back in time from 30 days to 10 years.



- The Publication Date pulldown menu toggles between Publication Date and Entrez Date.
- Use the **From:** and **To:** boxes to specify a range of dates.
- Enter the dates in the format of **YYYY/MM/DD** (month and day are optional).



Examples:



Entrez Date	From	1999	08 01	To 2001	10 31				
Use the format YYYY/MM/DD; month and day are optional.									

Subsets

Allows you to limit your retrieval to one of the four types of groupings of records:

1. Subjects:

- ► AIDS
- Bioethics
- Cancer
- ► Complementary Medicine
- ▶ History of Medicine
- ► Space Life Sciences
- ▶ Toxicology

2. MEDLINE

► Completed citations with MeSH headings and other indexing terms that have also been checked for accuracy

3. Journal groupings:

- ► Core clinical journals: 120 English-language journals from the formerly published *Abridged Index Medicus*
- Dental
- ▶ Nursing

4. Other:

- ▶ OLDMEDLINE: journal citations from 1953-1965
- ▶ PubMed Central: full-text articles available for free in NLM's digital archive

Limits Indicator

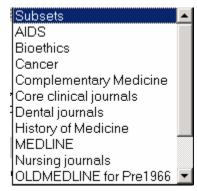


- Once you have selected Limits, a check box appears next to the Limits on the Features Bar.
- If you run a search, the limits in effect will appear in the yellow bar above the Display button:

Limits: English, Review



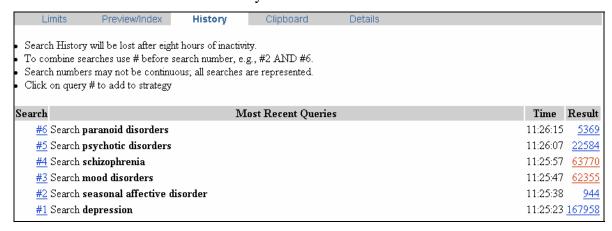
To **turn off all of the limits** before you run your next search, click on the check box next to Limits on the Features Bar to remove the check and turn off the limits.



History



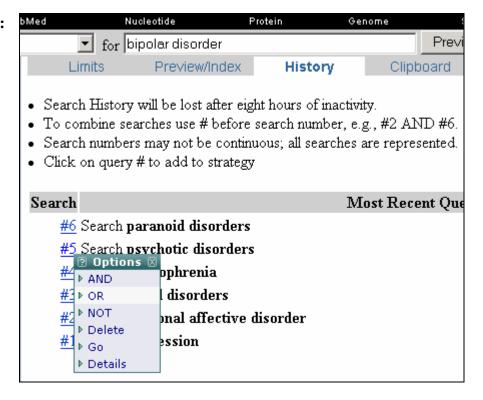
- The History screen displays:
 - > Your search query
 - ➤ The time of the search
 - > The number of citations in your search results



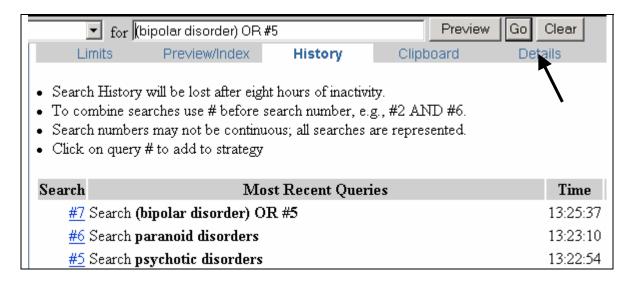
Using History

You can use the search statement numbers shown in History to construct searches. When you click on a linked search statement number, you will open a menu of options. The first three choices are Boolean operators.

Example:

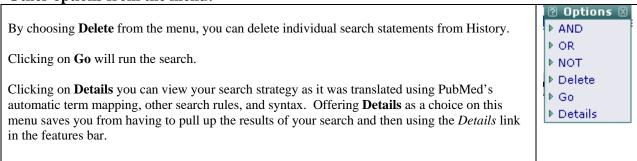


Type *bipolar disorder* into the search box. Click on search statement #5, choose *OR* from the menu.



Click on **Go** next to the preview button to run the search. Your last search now becomes Search #7.

Other options from the menu:



You can still add search numbers to the query box manually. Remember that Boolean operators must be typed in all uppercase letters.



To add previous searches to the terms in the query box, continue clicking on the search numbers and choosing Boolean operators. Notice that PubMed nests the terms in the query box.



Use the **Preview** button to preview the number of search results before displaying the citations.

History Tips:

- ✓ Maximum number of queries that can be held in History is **100**.
- ✓ Your search history will be **lost after 8 hours of inactivity**.
- ✓ PubMed will move a search statement number to the top of the History if the new search is the same as a previous search.
- ✓ Caution: Search statement numbers from History should not be used in a strategy that you intend to save using the URL button in Details or in search strategies you plan to store in the Cubby.

Why not? Although the strategy will be saved, your History will expire. Any search statement numbers included in the saved strategy will be gone, or possibly replaced by other searches.



Click on the **Clear History** button available at the bottom of the History screen to remove all searches from the History.

Preview/Index Overview



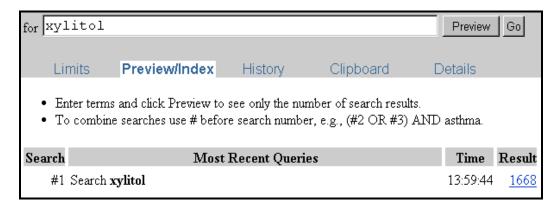
- This page is home to two functions: **Preview** and **Index**.
- Use **Preview/Index** to:
 - > Preview the number of search results before displaying the citations.
 - Refine search strategies by adding one or more terms, one at a time.
 - Add terms to a strategy from specific search fields.
 - ➤ View and select terms from the Index to develop search strategies.
 - ➤ View your search strategy as you continue to refine your search.

Preview

- Previewing the number of search results before displaying the citations
 - **Search Request:** *Find citations about xylitol and tooth decay.*
 - Enter terms in the query box and click **Preview**.

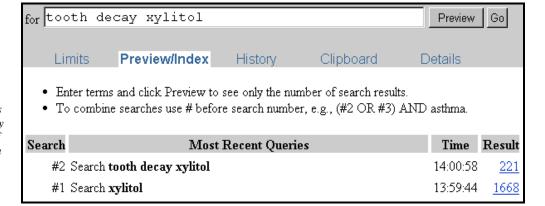


• PubMed returns the number of citations but not the actual results.



Result shows the number of citations.

- Refining search strategies by adding one or more terms at a time
 - Add another term (e.g., *tooth decay*) to the query box and click **Preview**.
 - ➤ View your search strategy and number of results as you continue to refine your search.



Preview shows search strategy and number of results as each term is added



Preview displays the last three queries from History. Use History to review up to the last 100 queries. The Clear History button in History also clears the history information from the Preview/Index.



History will be lost after 8 hours of inactivity on PubMed.

Index

- Viewing and selecting terms from the Index to develop search strategies
 - ➤ Use the **Index** button to view and select terms from the Index and to add them to your search strategy.
 - The Index allows you to view a listing of searchable terms within a search field.
 - You may also select terms to build a search strategy using Boolean operators.
- Selecting a field and entering a term to look up in the Index
 - **Search Request:** Find patient information about anthrax.
 - On the Preview/Index screen enter *anthrax* in the PubMed query box:

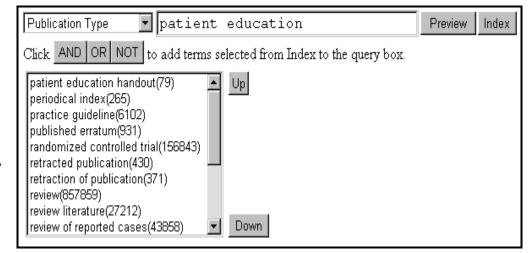


• Select **Publication Type** from the pull-down menu, type the term, **patient education** and click on the **Index** button.

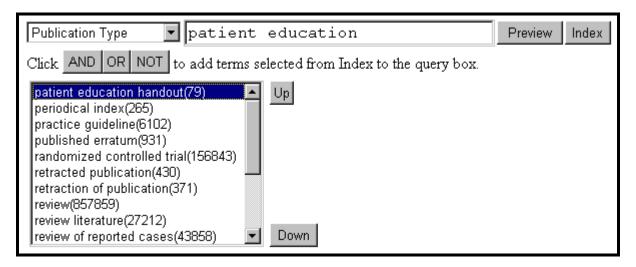
PubMed displays a portion of the alphabetical list of available terms for the selected search field. Scroll up/down this window using the scroll bar.

The number of citations that contain the term appears in parentheses to the right of the term.

To scroll up/down the entire Index for the field, click the **Up/Down** buttons.

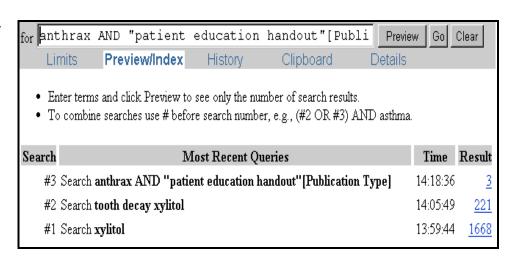


- Selecting a term from the Index
 - Click on the term to highlight it and then click on **Preview**.



Continue viewing, selecting, and previewing search terms until your strategy is complete.

Query box shows the search term and the search field.



Result shows the number of citations.



Preview automatically ANDs together selected search terms and previews the search. Use the **Boolean operators** to combine search terms as needed. If you use the Boolean operators, your search terms are added to the PubMed query box and you must click Preview to see the number of results.

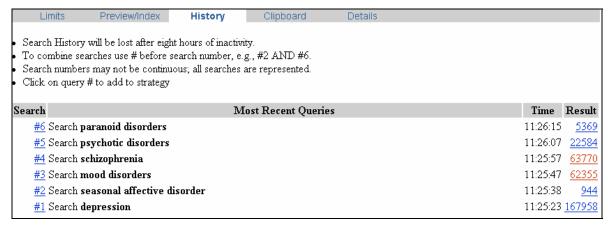


To OR together multiple terms from an Index display and then add (i.e., AND) them to your search, click on each term while holding down the Crtl-key (PC) or the Command-key (Mac). When all the terms you want are highlighted, click the connector AND to add the terms (OR'ed together) to the query.

History



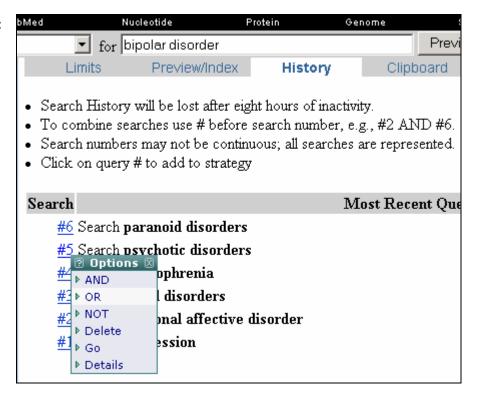
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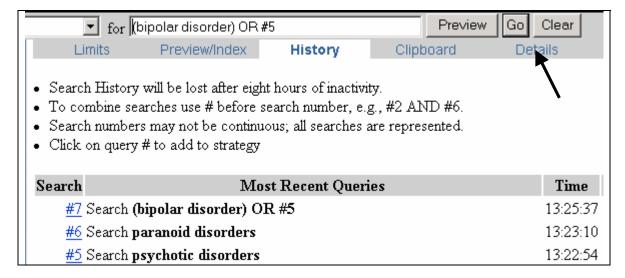
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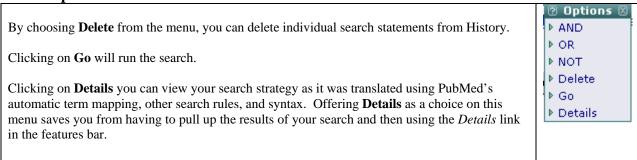


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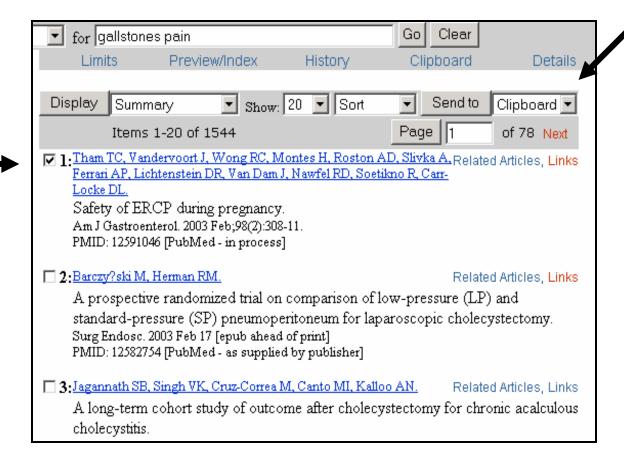


Click on the **Clear History** button available at the bottom of the History screen to remove all searches from the History.

Clipboard



- **Clipboard** allows you to collect selected citations from one search or several searches.
- You can **sort**, **print**, **save**, **e-mail** or **order** the citations on the Clipboard.
 - ➤ To place items on the Clipboard, see page 26.



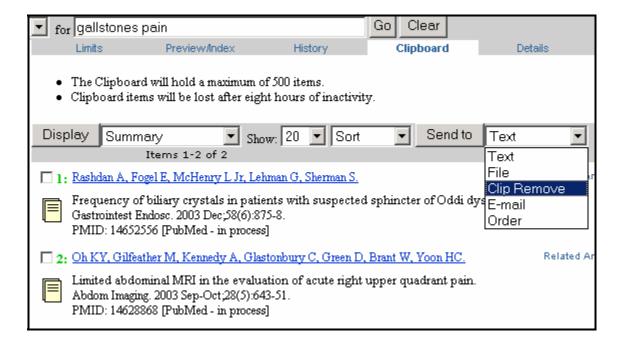
Clipboard Tips:

- ✓ If you do not select citations using the checkboxes, PubMed will add up to 500 citations from your retrieval to the Clipboard.
- \checkmark The maximum number of items that can be added to the clipboard is 500.
- ✓ The clipboard will be lost after 8 hours of inactivity.

Features Bar

Using the Clipboard

• To view the contents of your clipboard, click on **Clipboard** from the Features bar.



Deleting citations from the Clipboard

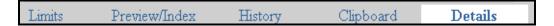
- To delete citations on the Clipboard, click on the box to the left of the item number. Choose **Clip Remove** from the Text pull-down menu. Click on **Send to**.
- To empty the entire Clipboard, simply choose **Clip Remove** and click on **Send to**.



Citations on the Clipboard may be incorporated into a search statement using #0. For example, limit the items on the Clipboard to English language citations using the following search: #0 AND english [la]

This does not affect or replace the Clipboard contents.

Details



- Click on **Details** to view your search query as it was translated by PubMed including MeSH term and PubMed phrase index mappings.
 - ➤ Error messages (e.g., stopwords, truncation warnings, and misspellings) are also displayed.
- The PubMed Query box in Details allows you to edit a search strategy and resubmit it.
- Details also allow you to save a search strategy.

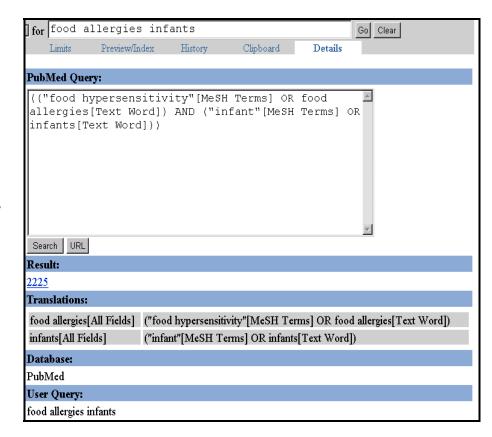
Here's a closer look at Details:

You can modify the search strategy if you wish and then click on the **Search** button.

Click on the **URL** button to create a **URL** that allows you to save your search strategy.

Click on the **Result** number hyperlink to return to the current search results.

PubMed Translations



Features Bar

Saving a search strategy from Details:

- Click on the **URL** button. PubMed will return to the search results screen. The translated search strategy will be displayed in the query box and this search strategy will also be embedded as part of the URL.
- Next, use your Web browser's bookmark (favorites) function to save the URL as a bookmark. After saving the bookmark, you may want to use your Web browser's edit functions to rename the bookmark.



Save a search strategy using the **URL** button if you want to email the URL to a colleague or create a link on a Web page.

Practice Exercises

1.	Find references about shingles and facial	paralysis.	How does Pr	ubMed map	the term,
	shingles?				

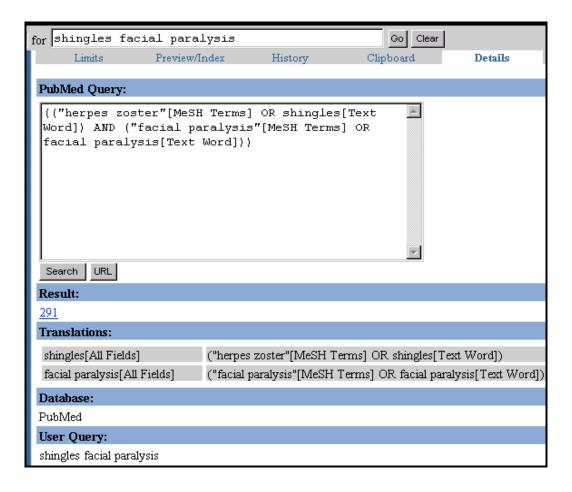
- 2. Find references about hypertension and a nosebleed. How does PubMed map the term, nosebleed? Display all of the retrieved records on one Web page.
- 3. Using only the query box, find some information about using a living donor for a liver transplantation. Using Limits, further restrict the search to only review articles. Display the results so you can see the entire retrieval on one page.
- 4. Find references about injuries from backpacks or backpacking. Bookmark this search strategy so the search can be run again at a later date.
- 5. Find citations about using botox to treat migraines. Add the search results to the Clipboard. Go to the Clipboard to see the items.

Features Bar

Suggested Answers

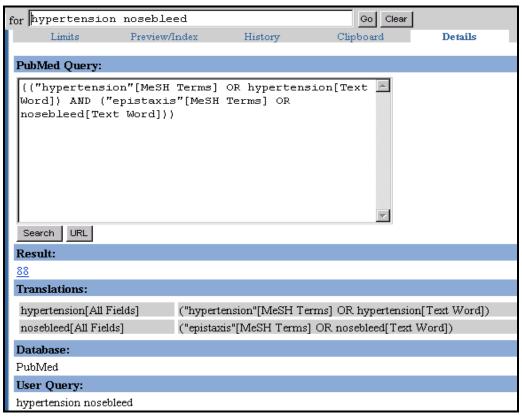
1. Find references about shingles and facial paralysis. How does PubMed map the term, shingles?

Enter *shingles facial paralysis* in the query box, click **Go**. Click on **Details** to see that the term shingles maps to the MeSH heading **Herpes Zoster**.



2. Find references about hypertension and a nosebleed. How does PubMed map the term, nosebleed? Display all of the retrieved records on one Web page.

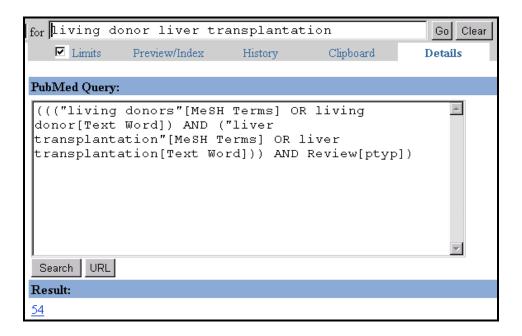
Details:



The term, nosebleed, maps to the MeSH heading, **epistaxis**. From the **Show** pull-down menu, choose a number higher than your final retrieval set in order to display all the records on one Web page. Click the **Display** button.

Features Bar

3. Using only the query box, find some information about using a living donor for a liver transplantation. Using Limits, further restrict the search to only review articles. Display the results so you can see the entire retrieval is on one page.

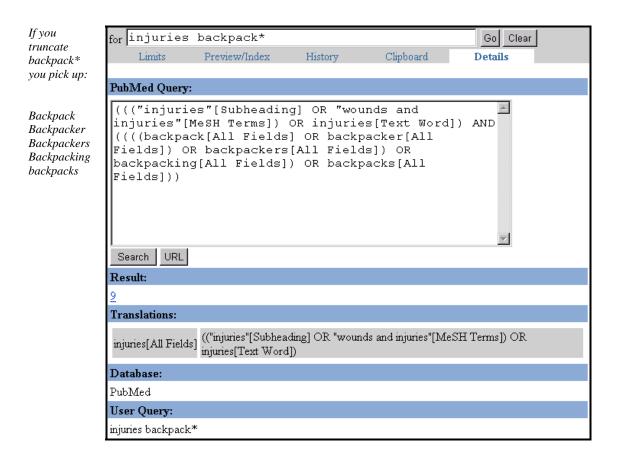


Then Display the results so the entire retrieval is on one page.



4. Find references about injuries from backpacks or backpacking. Bookmark this search strategy so the search can be run again at a later date.

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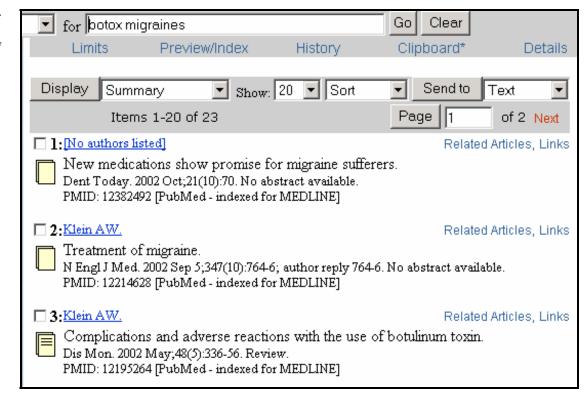


Use the URL button from Details to have PubMed embed the search strategy into a URL. Use your Web browser's bookmark function to save this URL.

Features Bar

5. Find citations about using botox to treat migraines. Add the search results to the Clipboard. Go to the Clipboard to see the items.

Enter botox migraines in the query box. Click on Send to Clipboard to add all the items to the Clipboard.



Once you click on Send to Clipboard, the following message tells you the items were added.

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23 items were added to Clipboard.
Clipboard items will be lost after eight hours of inactivity.
The maximum number of Clipboard items is 500.
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To see the items on the Clipboard, click on **Clipboard** on the Features Bar.

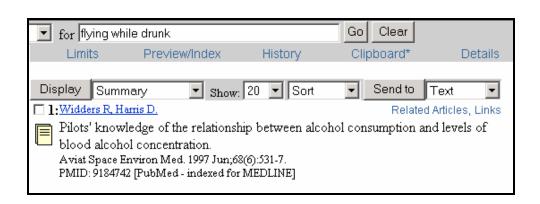
Related Articles

- Citations in PubMed have a **Related Articles** link. Clicking on this link will access the citations in PubMed that are most closely related to the original citation.
- To create this list of Related Articles, PubMed compares words from the Title and Abstract
 of each citation, as well as the MeSH headings assigned, using a powerful word-weighted
 algorithm.
- The Related Articles citations display is in rank order from most to least relevant. The citation you linked from is displayed first.



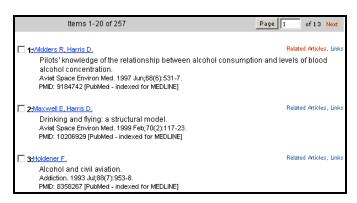
A detailed explanation of the Related Articles algorithm is available in the PubMed **Help** under **Links**, **Related Articles**, **Computation of Related Articles**.

Example: Find citations to articles about flying while drunk.



Related Articles Link

This search retrieves only 1 citation. Click on the Related Articles link and PubMed will display a list of related citations.



Links to Other Resources and NCBI Databases

The **Links** pull-down menu was created to support new ways of using the ever growing number of links between records in the Entrez databases. All links, except for Related Articles, are included in the new pull-down menu.

LinkOut

➤ LinkOut provides links from PubMed and other Entrez databases to a wide variety of relevant web-accessible online resources including full-text publications. Full-text is available when you see an icon link on the Abstract or Citation display formats.

• Free in PMC

➤ Use the **Free in PMC** links to access free full-text at PubMed Central (PMC). PubMed Central [pubmedcentral.gov] is the National Institutes of Health's repository for peer-reviewed primary research reports in the life sciences.

Books

- ➤ Books links take you from terms in titles and abstracts to the full-text of biomedical textbooks.
- Links to NCBI Databases (Entrez)
 - ➤ **Protein** Protein sequences from Swiss-Prot, PIR, PRF, PDB, and translated protein sequences from the DNA sequences databases.
 - ➤ **Nucleotide** DNA sequences from GenBank, EMBL, and DDBJ.
 - ➤ OMIM Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man. This database is a catalog of human genes and genetic disorders authored and edited by Dr. Victor A. McKusick and his colleagues at Johns Hopkins and elsewhere, and developed for the Web by NCBI.
 - ➤ **PopSet** The PopSet database contains aligned sequences submitted as a set from a population, phylogenetic or mutation study describing such events as evolution and population variation.
 - ➤ **Structure** The Molecular Modeling Database (MMDB) contains 3-dimensional structures determined by X-ray crystallography and NMR spectroscopy.
 - ➤ **Genome** Provides access to records and graphic displays of entire genomes and chromosomes for megabase sequences obtained from large-scale sequencing of genomes and chromosomes.
 - ➤ Taxonomy The NCBI taxonomy database contains the names of all organisms that are represented in the genetic databases with at least one nucleotide or protein sequence

Searching With MeSH

• Two selections are available for MeSH searching from the Search Field selection pull-down menu in Limits:

MeSH Terms - Use when you want to specify that a term is searched only as a MeSH heading not also as a Text Word.

MeSH Major Topic - Use when you wish to limit to articles where the topic is the main point of the article.

The following MeSH fields are also available for searching:

MeSH Subheadings – Combine with MeSH terms to focus your search to a particular aspect of a subject.

MeSH Date – The date an article was indexed with MeSH terms.



When a term is searched as a MeSH Heading, PubMed automatically searches that heading and the more specific headings underneath in the hierarchy. This is called exploding a term.

For example, the MeSH term **Face** when searched as MeSH Term in PubMed would search the heading Face as well as all the more specific terms below the term in the hierarchy:

```
Face

Cheek
Chin
Eye

Eyebrows
Eyelids +
Forehead
Mouth
Lip
Nose
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Searching with MeSH terms will *exclude* in process citations and publisher-supplied citations as they have not been indexed with MeSH headings.

PubMed's MeSH Database

PubMed's MeSH Database allows you to:

Locate and select MeSH terms for searching.

See the definition and other helpful information for a MeSH term.

Display MeSH terms in the hierarchy.

Build a PubMed search strategy.

Limit MeSH terms to a major concept for a search.

Attach subheadings for a search.

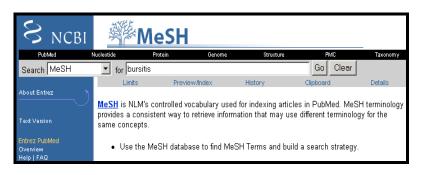
Link to the NLM MeSH Section's MeSH Browser

How to Get There

Click on MeSH Database on the sidebar.

Now, let's use the MeSH Database to build a search strategy for a search for citations about the *diagnosis of bursitis*.

Enter bursitis in the query box and click the **Go** button.



• PubMed displays results in the Summary format:

▼ for bursitis

or Entry terms
generated by an
algorithm that
compares letter
combinations

Links allows you to run
a PubMed search or
link to MeSH Browser.

Scope Note (meaning
for this concept) is

Suggestions are MeSH

displayed.

Click on the term to see

the Full display.

Limits Preview/Index History Clipboard Details Suggestions: Bursitis; Bursitides; Bursine; Bursera; Burn; Burma; Burns; Burial; Burnet; Burseraceae; more... Display Summary Send to Search Box with AND ▼ Show: 20 ▼ · Build a search strategy using the Send to Search Box feature. Select a database (e.g., PubMed) under the Links menu to retrieve items with that term. ☐ 1: Bursitis Inflammation of a bursa, occasionally accompanied by a calci ▶ PubMed underlying supraspinatus tendon. The most common site is th ▶ NLM MeSH Browser (Dorland, 27th ed)

Go

Clear

• The **Full** Display provides more information about the term.

	☐ 1: Bursitis
	Inflammation of a bursa, occasionally accompanied by a calcific deposit in the underlying supraspinatus tendon. The most common site is the subdeltoid bursa. (Dorland, 27th ed)
Use the check boxes to select subheadings. Click on the Subheadings link to see a list of subheading definitions.	Subheadings: blood chemically induced classification complications diagnosis diet therapy drug therapy economics enzymology epidemiology etiology genetics immunology metabolism microbiology nursing pathology physiopathology prevention and control psychology radiography radionuclide imaging radiotherapy rehabilitation surgery therapy ultrasonography urine veterinary virology
Use these checkboxes to restrict to major topic or to not	☐ Restrict Search to Major Topic headings only ☐ Do Not Explode this term (i.e., do not include MeSH terms found below this term in the MeSH tree).
explode a term. Entry Terms (synonyms) are provided.	Entry Terms: Bursitides Adhesive Capsulitis Adhesive Capsulitides Capsulitides, Adhesive Capsulitides, Adhesive
MeSH hierarchy is displayed with searched term in boldface.	All MeSH Categories Diseases Category Musculoskeletal Diseases Joint Diseases Bursitis Periarthritis

Subheadings that can be selected for searching with this term are listed (click on the **Subheadings** link for definitions).

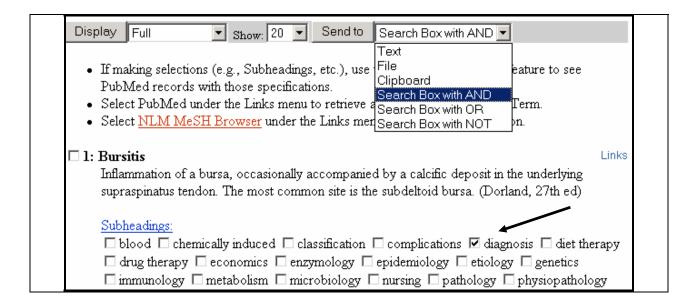
You may restrict the MeSH term to a major point or choose not to explode the term.

Entry Terms (synonyms) are provided.

MeSH hierarchy is displayed with searched term in boldface.

Send to Search Box

- To specify a search for: Citations about the diagnosis of bursitis
 - 1. Under Subheadings, click on the **diagnosis** checkbox from the Full display screen.
 - 2. Next, select **Search Box with AND** from pull-down menu and click the **Send to** button.



The term with any subheadings will appear in the Search Box:



Now, let's adjust our search to articles discussing the diagnosis of bursitis in the knee joint.

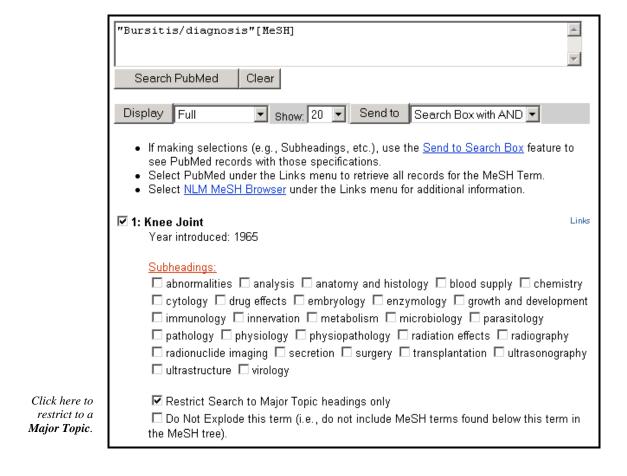
• Enter **knee joint** in the query box and click **Go**.



• This brings you to the Summary display for **Knee Joint**. Click on the **Knee Joint** term link to see the Full display for this term.

Now, let's restrict to citations where the *major focus of the article is knee joints* and then add this term to the strategy we are building.

To do this, select **Search Box with AND** from the pull-down menu and click the **Send to** button.



• Now, the search is built and is ready to be run in PubMed. Click the **Search PubMed** button below the Search box:

"Bursitis/diagn	osis"[MeSH] AND "Knee Joint"[MAJR]	
		- I
Search PubMed	1 1	

Clinical Queries

- Available on PubMed's sidebar
- There are 3 search filters available from this page:

Search by Clinical Study Category

Find Systematic Reviews

Medical Genetics Searches

Search by Clinical Study Category

This specialized search query is intended for clinicians and has built-in search "filters" based on research done by R. Brian Haynes, M.D., Ph.D. at McMaster University in Canada.

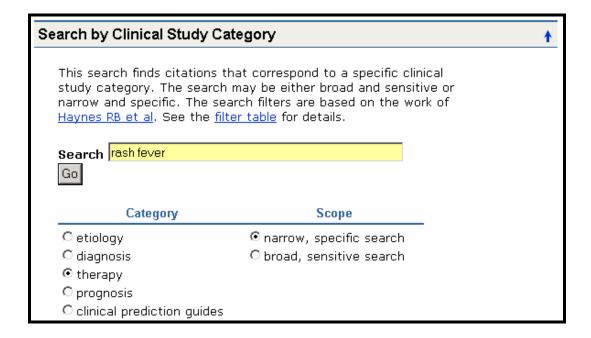
Five study categories or filters are provided:

- etiology
- diagnosis
- therapy
- prognosis
- clinical prediction guidelines

Two emphasis categories or filters are provided:

- narrow, specific search -- will get more precise, relevant citations but less retrieval
- broad, sensitive search -- includes relevant citations but probably some less relevant; will get more retrieval

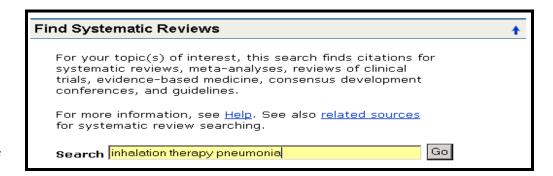
Example: Find citations on having a rash with a fever using the defaults of therapy and narrow, specific search.



Find Systematic Reviews

- This feature is provided to help clinicians locate systematic reviews and similar articles.
- It retrieves systematic reviews, meta-analyses, reviews of clinical trials, evidence-based medicine, consensus development conferences, and guidelines. Citations from journals specializing in clinical review studies are also included.

Example: Find Systematic Reviews on inhalation therapy for pneumonia.



Enter search terms in the query box.



This subset can be combined directly with other search terms using AND systematic [sb]. For example, lyme disease AND systematic [sb].]

Medical Genetics Searches

- Finds citations related to various topics in medical genetics
- Default is to **All** topics. Click on All check box to deselect; then click on topic(s) of interest.
- Developed in conjunction with the staff of GeneReviews: Genetic Disease Online Reviews at GeneTests, University of Washington, Seattle.

Example: Find citations about sickle cell anemia using the Medical Genetics Searches categories: Genetic Counseling; Genetic Testing

	Medical Genetics Searches
	This search finds citations and abstracts related to various topics in medical genetics. See the <u>filter table</u> for details.
Enter search terms in the query box.	Search sickle cell anemia Go
	Category
	□ All
Salast tonias of	□ Diagnosis
Select topics of interest.	☐ Differential Diagnosis
interest.	☐ Clinical Description
	☐ Therapy
	☑ Genetic Counseling
	☐ Molecular Genetics
	☑ Genetic Testing

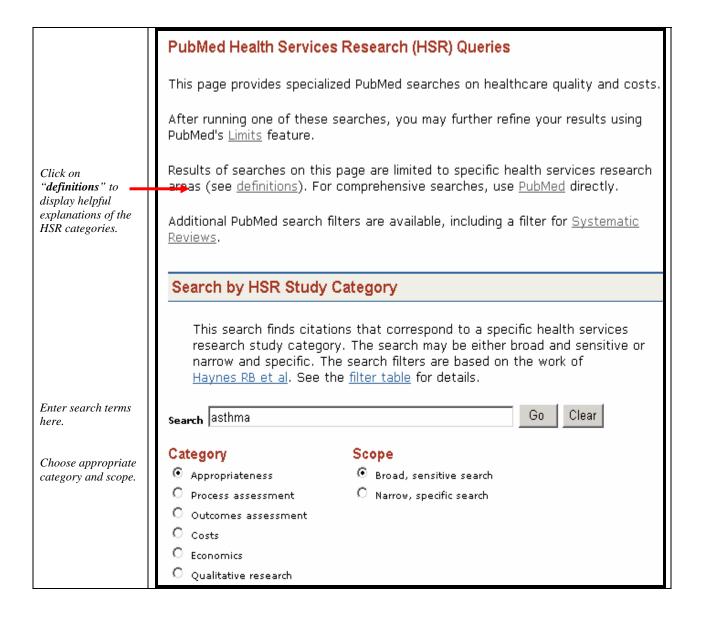
Special Queries – Health Services Research (HSR) Queries

Why?

• Provides a search interface to find PubMed citations relating to **health care quality** and **health care costs**

Where?

- Click on **Special Queries** from PubMed's sidebar
- Click on **Health Services Research** (**HSR**) **Queries** from the Special Queries page



My NCBI



My NCBI Features

- Saved Searches: save search strategies to get updates including automatic e-mailed updates.
- Filters: Group your retrieval by topics of interest to you

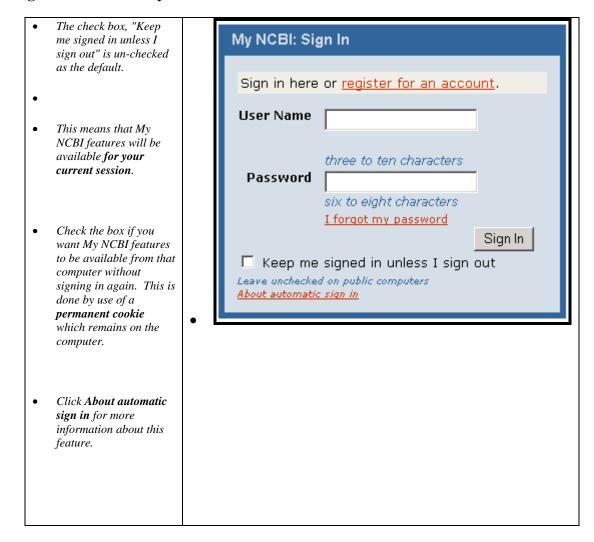
Getting to My NCBI

- PubMed's banner will display links to My NCBI.
- The **My NCBI** link goes to your list of saved searches.
- **Sign In** links to the Sign In page.
- **Register** links to the My NCBI registration page.



Registering for My NCBI

- To use My NCBI you need to register for an account.
- Sign In: Session-Only or Automatic



Important Facts about the E-mail for My NCBI Account

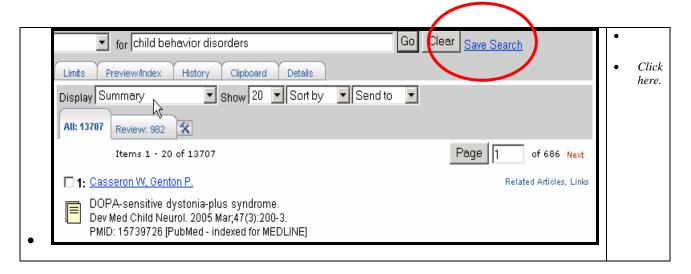
- Each My NCBI account can have **only one** e-mail address that will be used for all automatic e-mail updates saved in that account.
- If, at a later time, you change the e-mail address for your account, the new e-mail address will be used for **all** automatic updates following confirmation (see below).
- To change the e-mail address on an account, go to User Preferences on the My NCBI sidebar.



The address for PubMed's Send to E-mail feature *can* be changed for individual e-mails on the Send to E-mail page without affecting the e-mail address used for the My NCBI account.

The Confirmation E-mail

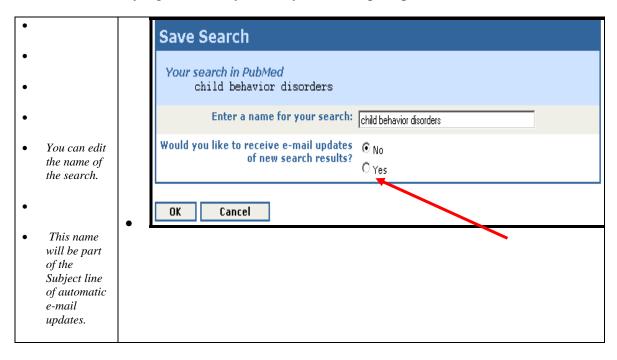
- The first time an automatic e-mail update is created for an account, or if the e-mail is changed in User Preferences, a confirmation e-mail will be sent to that address.
- No automatic updates will be sent to an address until it has been confirmed.
- Saving Searches
- Run your PubMed search.
- From the Results page, click on the **Save Search** link to the right of the query box.





• PubMed uses the search as it is stored in the History, so it is important to run a search in order for it to appear in the History.

• PubMed will open a separate window in your browser to start the saving process. (If you are not already signed into My NCBI, you will be prompted to do so.)



- Next, indicate whether or not you want to have the updates automatically e-mailed.
- If you leave the setting as No, the search is saved and you can update it at your convenience.
- If you select the Yes button, the window will extend to display additional options for customizing the update:

Save Search	
Your search in PubMed child behavior disorders	
Enter a name for your search:	child behavior disorders
Would you like to receive e-mail updates of new search results?	○ No ⊙ Yes
E-mail to: "SPAM" filtering software notice	smith@email.com -
How often?	 The first ▼ Saturday ▼ of each month C Every Saturday ▼ C Every day
Format:	Summary - as HTML -
Maximum number of items to send	5 🔻
Send e-mail even when there are no new results	▽ Yes
Additional text (optional)	Search: child behavior disorders
OK Cancel	

Setting up automatic updating

Searches saved for automatic updating require that additional details be supplied.

- If the e-mail box is blank, enter an **e-mail address** for the account. *All* automatic updates will be sent to that address following confirmation
- Select **How often** you want to get updates monthly, weekly, or daily.
- Select the **format** (Summary, Abstract, etc.), and either an HTML or text e-mail.
- Select the **maximum number of items to be sent** with each update. Don't worry about picking a number that is too low. You can use a link in the e-mail that takes you to the total update results in PubMed.
- If you want to know when an update retrieved no citations, select, **Send e-mail when there** are no new results.
- The **Additional text** box will default to the search name. You can replace this text, keeping in mind that this text will display on each e-mail update as "Sender's message" and the strategy is also displayed in the e-mail message. Many users will prefer not to include additional text.

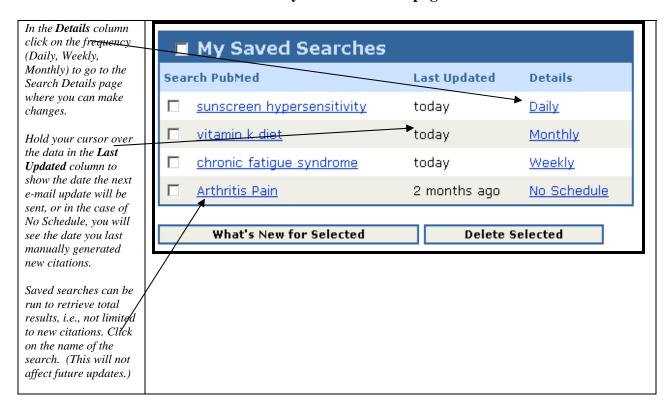
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Partial e-mail update results

Manually Updating Searches

- To manually update a search, go to your saved searches in My NCBI.
- Check the box to the left of the search to be updated and click **What's New for Selected** at the bottom of the page.
- My NCBI will indicate if there are any new citations retrieved by the strategy since your last update.
- If you link to the results, i.e., complete the update, your saved search list will reflect the date and time of the update.

Additional Functions available from My Saved Searches page

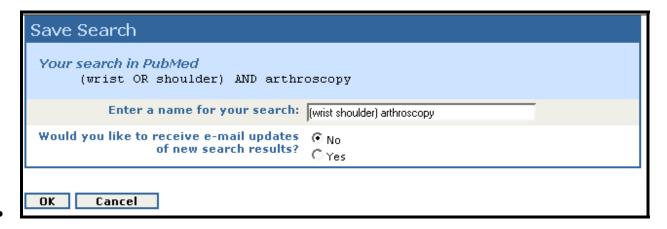


• Modifying a Strategy: Save a New One and Delete the Old

- Saved search strategies cannot be edited. To modify a strategy, re-save it with your changes.
- To delete a search, select the search using the check box and click on the **Delete Selected** button at the bottom of the page.
- Changing the E-mail Address for an Account
- User Preferences is accessible via a link on the My NCBI sidebar. You can change the email address for your My NCBI account here.
- Keep in mind, anytime you change the e-mail for an account, all automatic updates will be sent to that address following confirmation.

Search Statement Numbers in Saved Searches

- My NCBI allows you to save searches with search statement numbers (#2 OR #3) AND #1.
- Be aware that the default search name does not include any Boolean operators and search tags, if entered.
- Example: (#1 OR #2) AND #4
- #1: wrist
- #2: shoulder
- #4: arthroscopy



- This name does not affect the strategy, so it is advisable to edit it to something short, yet meaningful.
- Be sure to run your search before saving it, in order for it to appear in the History and be successfully saved.

About the Updates

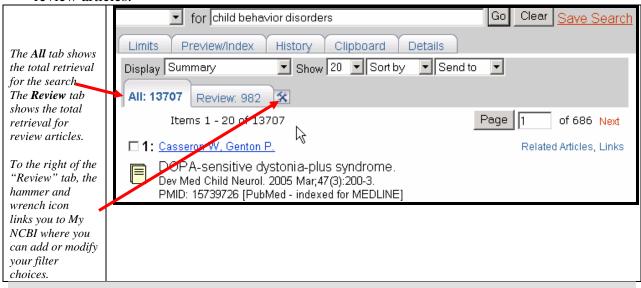
- The update strategies used for My NCBI are detailed in PubMed's Help.
- New or modified searches can be generated no sooner than the next day. For example, this morning, you changed the frequency for an update from Monthly to Daily. The first update will be sent tomorrow.

Filters

- My NCBI includes a Filters feature which groups search results by areas of interest.
- You can have up to **five** active filters using My NCBI.

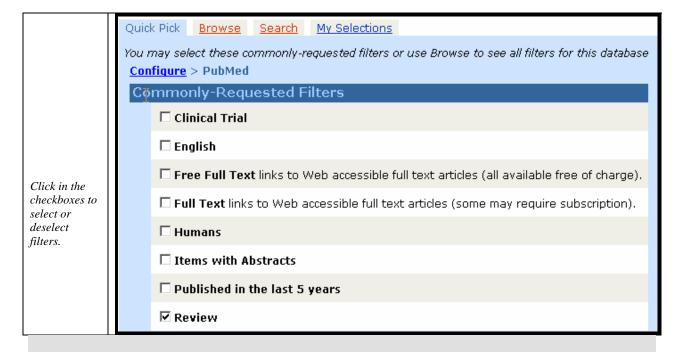
The Tabs

• "All" tab shows the total retrieval for the search. "Review" tab shows the total retrieval for review articles.



Adding Filters

• Use the sticon to link to the **Quick Pick** list of commonly-requested filters:



Browse

- Click on Browse to see additional options for PubMed filters.
- On the Browse page there are three categories:

LinkOut Links Properties

• Users interested in **subject-related filters** for their searches should look at **Properties**.



Under Properties, use the links to see the available filters for each sub-category. Here's the one for Publication Types:



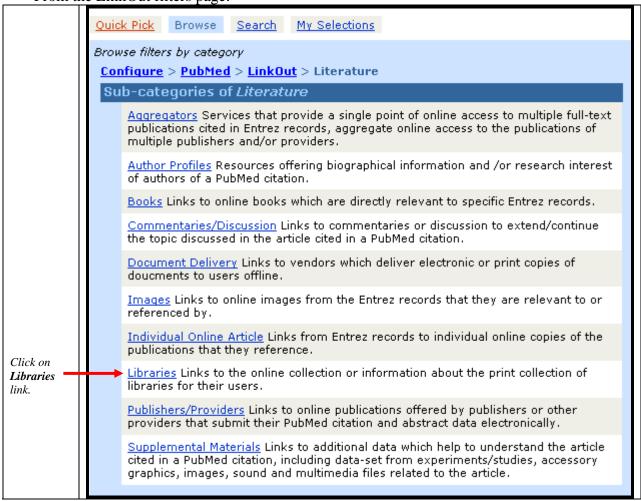


LinkOut Filters

 Filters in this category group results by full text providers, libraries, and other outside resources.

Adding your library's holdings as a filter

• From the LinkOut filters page:



This will bring up a page with all of the LinkOut-participating libraries.

- Use your browser's Find feature to locate your library.
- Click on the desired library link.
- Then click on the checkboxes to add a result tab and/or display the library's icon:

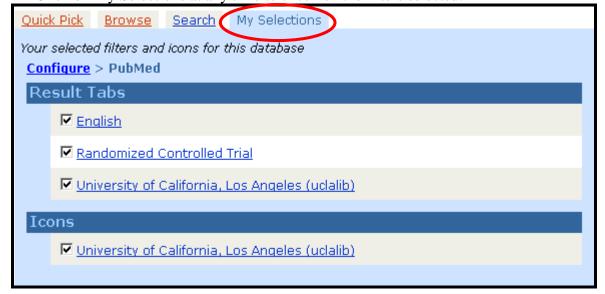




- Results tabs for LinkOut providers display the LinkOut user name.
- Place your cursor over this ID to see the name of the provider.
- Users who connect to PubMed with a URL that includes a library's holdings parameter will continue to see their library icon even if they do not select their library in My NCBI. Users should select their library filter if they want to see a filter tab for their library in the search results.

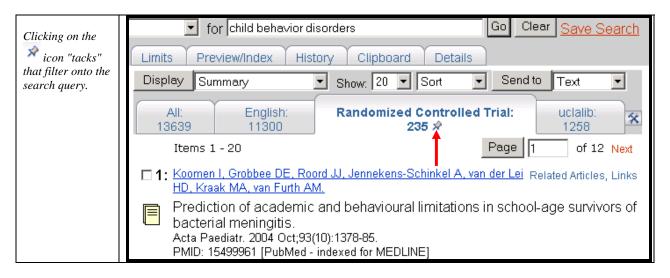
My Selections

• Click on My Selections at any time to check on the filters selected:



Using the Filter Tabs

- Click on a filter tab to go to the citations for a particular filter. Select any display format you wish.
- When you click on the filter name (tab) to see the results for a filter, a tack symbol will appear in the tab:



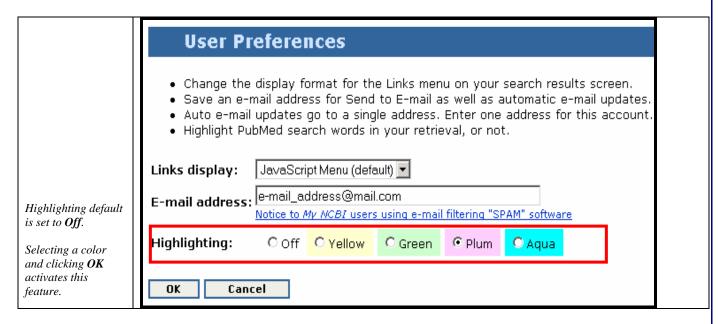


- Filters added this way will display in the query box with the [Filter] tag.
- If you want to save this search, click on Save Search.
- Many filter topics can be added to the search via the Limits page. Either way will yield the same results.

User Preferences

- Available from My NCBI sidebar
- Change the display format for the Links menu on your search results screen.
- Save an e-mail address for Send to E-mail as well as automatic e-mail updates.
- Choose to highlight PubMed search words in retrieval when you are signed into My NCBI.

Activating Highlighting Feature:



Citation Matcher

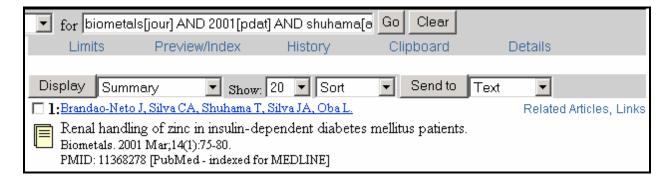
- The **Single Citation Matcher** allows you to find a citation using information such as a journal name, volume, issue, page number, publication date, and title words.
 - ➤ The **Single Citation Matcher** can also be used to get a "Table of Contents" listing of items from a particular issue of a journal in PubMed.
 - ➤ The **Batch Citation Matcher** allows you to retrieve the PubMed IDs for many articles all at once. The feature requires that you enter the bibliographic information (journal, volume, page, etc.) in a specific format. Note: The Batch Citation Matcher is primarily a tool used by publishers to check their electronic submissions and links.

• How to Get There:

- ➤ Click on **Single Citation Matcher** on the PubMed sidebar.
- Enter as much information as you know, only one field is required, and click on the **Search** button.
- **Example:** Biometals, 2001, one author is Shuhama

Citation Matcher for Single Articles					
leotide	Protein	Genome	Structure	PopSet	Taxonomy
Enter information about the article you wish to find.					
Journal:	biometa	ls			
Date:	2001				
Volume:		Issue:	First	page:	
Author's last name and initials (e.g., Smith BJ) shuhama					
Title words:					
Search	Clear				

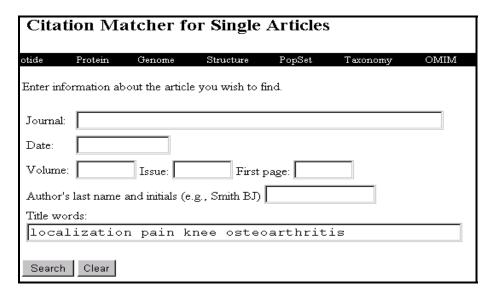
Result:



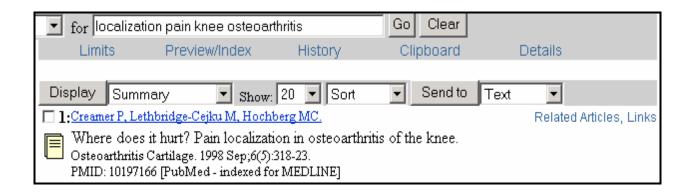


If you know four or more significant words from the title, that is often all that is needed to locate a reference.

- **Example:** You are looking for the citation for an article entitled, "Where does it hurt"? Pain localization in osteoarthritis in the knee."
 - Enter significant words from the title and click on the **Search** button.

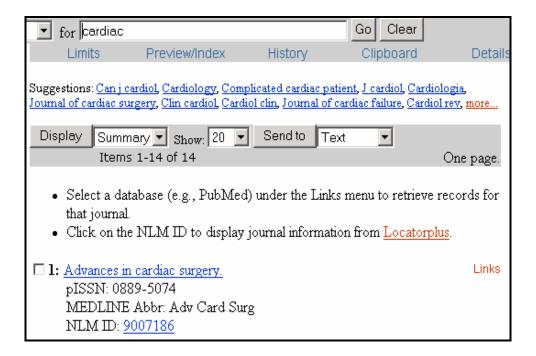


Result:



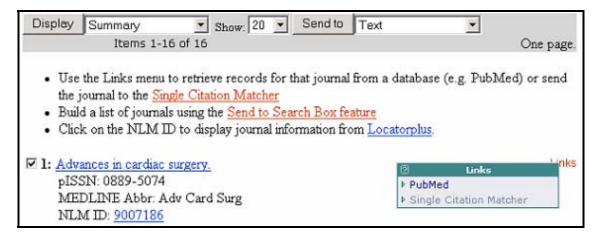
Journals Database

- The PubMed Journals Database allows you to search for citations in PubMed from a journal of your choice. The database includes the journals in all Entrez databases, e.g. PubMed, Nucleotides, etc. You can locate a journal using:
 - ➤ **Journal title**, the **ISSN** (International Standard Serial Number), the MEDLINE **title abbreviation**, the **NLM ID** (ID number for LOCATORplus) or the **ISO** (International Organization for Standardization).
- Click on the **Journals Database** link from the PubMed sidebar:
- Search the Journals Database:
 - Enter the journal information and click on the **Go** button.
 - **Example:** Enter *cardiac* for Advances in Cardiac Surgery, see results below:

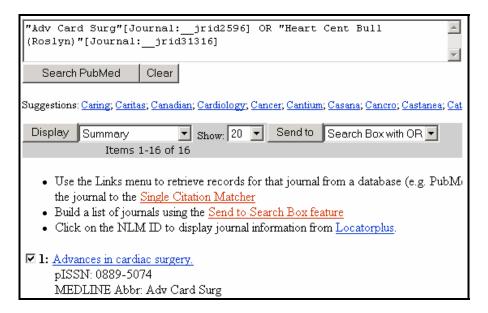


- ➤ Click on a journal selection under **Suggestions** to go directly to a specific journal record, or scroll down through the records listed in alphabetical order.
- Click on the journal title to see its full record.

• The Links menu to the right of the title includes links to the Entrez databases in which citations to the journal are found. Select a database under the Links menu to retrieve records for that journal. You can also send the journal title to the Single Citation Matcher.



You can search more than one journal at a time. Choose journals from the database and add them to the query box by clicking on Send to after choosing Search Box with OR from the pull-down menu. Click on Search PubMed. This multiple journal search will, like all PubMed searches, become part of your History. You can then combine that History number with additional terms.



Journals With Links to Publisher Web Sites:

- On the Journals Database screen, click on journals with **links to full-text web sites** for a list of full-text journals available on the Web to which PubMed is currently linked.
 - Some journals may require that you register, subscribe, or pay a fee in order to view the full-text of an article.
 - ➤ Contact the journal publishers as noted on their individual Web sites for specific access information.

Practice Exercises

Try using the PubMed MeSH Database for searches that require the use of MeSH headings.

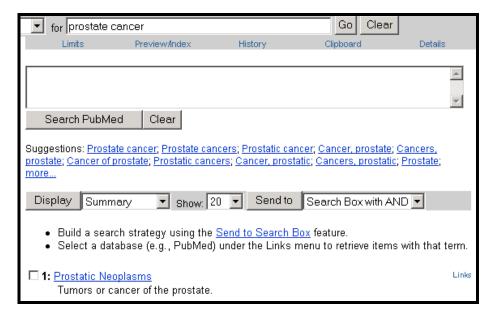
- 1. Find articles discussing the diagnosis of prostate cancer as the main focus of the article. Then limit to articles entered into PubMed in the last 2 years.
- 2. Find citations to articles discussing the surgical or drug treatment of osteosarcoma in children. Limit to studies involving the drug, cisplatin. Also, limit to English language articles.
- 3. Find references discussing the economics of community-acquired pneumonia.

Try to find the references using the following information and PubMed's Single Citation Matcher:

- 4. Arthritis Rheum, 1982, page 1271-7
- 5. R. G. Johnson, Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, Jan 1998, Page 148

Suggested Answers

- 1. Find articles discussing the diagnosis of prostate cancer as the main focus of the article. Then limit to articles entered into PubMed in the last 2 years.
 - a. MeSH Database Summary display:



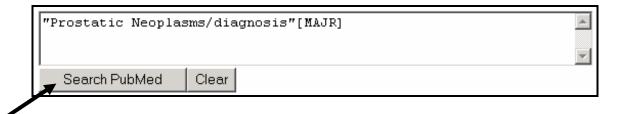
Click term to reach Full display.

Choosing diagnosis subheading and restricting to major topic:

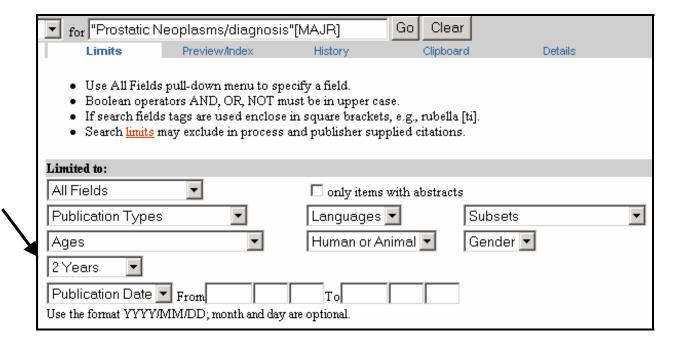
Once specifications are checked, click on Search Box with AND and click on the Send to button.

Display Full ▼ Show: 20 ▼ Send to Search Box with AND ▼
 If making selections (e.g., Subheadings, etc.), use the <u>Send to Search Box</u> feature to see PubMed records with those specifications. Select PubMed under the Links menu to retrieve all records for the MeSH Term. Select <u>NLM MeSH Browser</u> under the Links menu for additional information.
☐ 1: Prostatic Neoplasms
Tumors or cancer of the prostate.
Subheadings:
□ analysis □ blood □ blood supply □ cerebrospinal fluid □ chemically induced □ chemistry
☐ classification ☐ complications ☐ congenital ☑ diagnosis ☐ diet therapy ☐ drug therapy
□ economics □ embryology □ enzymology □ epidemiology □ ethnology □ etiology □ genetics
☐ history ☐ immunology ☐ metabolism ☐ microbiology ☐ mortality ☐ nursing ☐ parasitology
pathology physiopathology prevention and control psychology radiography
☐ radionuclide imaging ☐ radiotherapy ☐ rehabilitation ☐ secondary ☐ secretion ☐ surgery
☐ therapy ☐ transmission ☐ ultrasonography ☐ ultrastructure ☐ urine ☐ veterinary ☐ virology
✓ Restrict Search to Major Topic headings only
Do Not Explode this term (i.e., do not include MeSH terms found below this term in the MeSH tree).

To run search strategy in PubMed, click on the **Search PubMed** button below the Search box:



Now, restrict to those citations entered into the database in the last 2 years using the Limits screen.

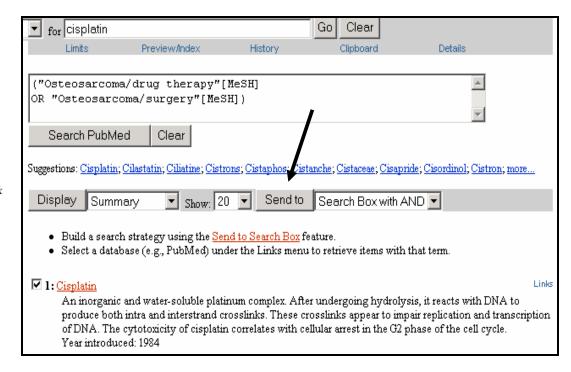


2. Find citations to articles discussing the surgical or drug treatment of osteosarcoma in children. Limit to studies involving the drug, cisplatin. Also, limit to English language articles.

Choosing appropriate subheadings from the Full display for Osteosarcoma:

Once	☐ 1: Osteosarroma Links
specifications are checked,	A sarcoma originating in bone-forming cells, affecting the ends of long bones. It is the most common and most malignant
click on	of sercomas of the bones, and occurs chiefly among 10- to 25-year-old youths. (From Stedman, 25th ed)
"Search Box	Year introduced: 1989
with AND" and click on	Cublandings
the Send to	Subheadings:
button.	\square analysis \square blood \square blood supply \square cerebrospinal fluid \square chemically induced \square chemistry \square classification
	🗆 complications 🗆 congenical 🗖 diagnosis 🗹 drug therapy 🗀 economics 🗀 embryology 🗀 enzymclogy
	🗆 epidemiology 🗆 etiology 🗆 genetics 🗀 history 🗀 immunology 🗀 metabolism 🗀 microbiology
	\square mortality \square nursing \square pathology \square pharmacology \square physiopathology \square prevention and control
	🗆 psychology 🗆 radiography 🗅 radionuclide imaging 🗆 radiotherapy 🗀 rehabilitation 🗀 secondary
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subheadings	Restrict Search to Major Topic headings only
	\square Do Not Explode this term (i.e., do not include MeSF, terms found below this term in the MeSH tree).

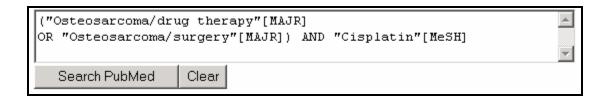
Searching Cisplatin and sending the term to the search box as you build your strategy:



Once term is selected, click on Send to button.

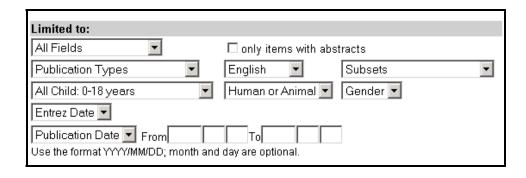
Check the term

Now, let's take this strategy into PubMed and then continue our search from PubMed using the Limits feature. Click on **Search PubMed**.



Back in PubMed using the Limits feature:

Choose your limits.

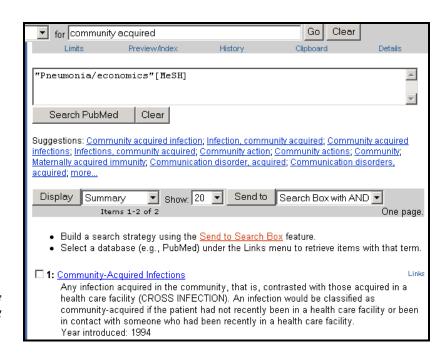


3. Find references discussing the economics of community-acquired pneumonia.

Selecting the subheading of economics to attach to the MeSH heading, pneumonia, from the Full display in the MeSH Database:

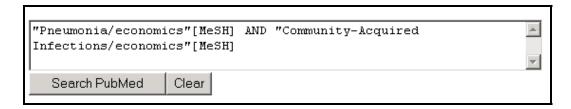
□ 1: Pneumonia	Links
Inflammation of the lungs.	
Subheadings:	
☐ blood ☐ cerebrospinal fluid ☐ chemically induced ☐ classification	
🗆 complications 🗆 congenital 🗀 diagnosis 🗖 diet therapy 🗖 drug therapy	
✓ economics ☐ embryology ☐ enzymology ☐ epidemiology ☐ ethnology	
🗆 etiology 🗆 genetics 🗆 history 🗆 immunology 🗆 metabolism 🗆 microbiology	
☐ mortality ☐ nursing ☐ parasitology ☐ pathology ☐ physiology	
🗆 physiopathology 🗖 prevention and control 🗖 psychology 🗖 radiography	
🗆 radionuclide imaging 🗆 radiotherapy 🗀 rehabilitation 🗀 surgery 🗀 therapeutic	use
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Searching for the next term:



Read the Scope Note. If relevant, click on the term to see the Full Display for more information including subheadings.

Final strategy ready to send to PubMed:



Try to find the following references using the following information and PubMed's Single Citation Matcher:

4. Arthritis Rheum 1982 page 1271-7

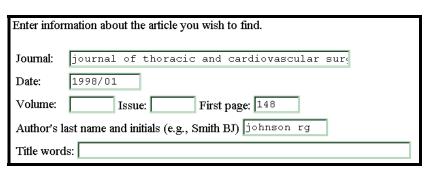
Enter information about the article you wish to find.				
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Date:	1982			
Volume:	Issue: First page: 1271			
Author's last name and initials (e.g., Smith BJ)				
Title words:				

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Talal N, Winchester RJ.
The 1982 revised criteria for the classification of systemic lupus erythematosus.
Arthritis Rheum. 1982 Nov;25(11):1271-7.
PMID: 7138600 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]

5. R. G. Johnson

Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery Jan 1998

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□ 1: Cohn WE, Suen HC, Weintraub RM, Johnson RG.

The "H" graft: an alternative approach for performing minimally invasive direct coronary artery bypass.

J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg. 1998 Jan;115(1):148-51.

PMID: 9451058 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]